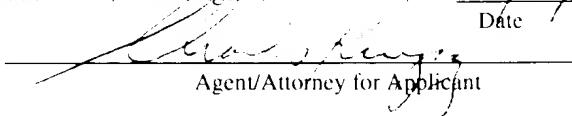


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REQUEST THAT AN INTERFERENCE BE DECLARED UNDER 35 C.F.R. § 1.607

Sir:

This is a reply to the Examiner's communication mailed September 30, 1996, having a three month shortened statutory period for reply. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record

AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claim 16 as follows:

-- 16. A method of treating impaired glucose tolerance comprising administering to a host suffering therefrom a therapeutically effective amount of 5-(4-(2-(N-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)amino)ethoxy)benzyl)-2,4-thiazolidinedione. --